IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In RE:

APPLICANT(S): JACK V. SMITH

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EXAMINER: Arlen, Soderquist

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FOR: METHOD FOR DETECTION OF BROMINE IN URINE USING LIQUID CHEMISTRY, DRY CHEMISTRY TEST PADS, AND LATERAL FLOW

Amendment A

Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 07/02/03, applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner's rejection to claims 1 - 2 be reversed. With the helpful suggestions of the Examiner these claims are now in condition for allowance with the following appropriate amendments to the above application.